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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Intelligence

SUBJECT : Press Articles on Soviet Long-Range Missiles in Cuba

1. An FBIS item quoting Paris AFP in English said, "Miami--The Confederation of Cuban Workers in Exile reported today that 12 military bases equipped with inter-continental rockets had been installed in Cuba. The Confederation said its information came from underground anti-Castro groups operating inside Cuba. The report said the main base was in Las Villas province, 290 kilometers from Havana on the road from Remedios to Camajuan, where it was reported 500 Soviet personnel were at work, plus 300 Soviet guards. The report said the guards kept even Cuban soldiers and militiamen out of the base."

2. The Evening Star on 18 October reported an article from La Jolla California under the title "Kennedy Lied on Cuba Representative Utt Says." The article states, "The Congressman said he had information that the Russians, within the past two weeks, have unloaded in Cuba a 1,700-mile ballistic missile."

3. A Hal Hendrix editorial in The Miami News on 18 October said that the Soviet "salami tactics" have caused U. S. policy makers to consider Cuba as secondary and long-range problem. He suggests that the next slice of "Latin salami" will be the delivery of nuclear weapons that will "freeze" Cuba as a permanent Soviet satellite in the Americas.

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